## IN UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

ALONZO AUSTIN,	)
Executor for Ruth H. Lewis, Estate,	)
Plaintiff,	)
	)
v.	) CASE NO. 3:07-cv-138-MHT
	)
	)
MODERN WOODMEN	)
OF AMERICA, et al.,	)
	)
Defendants.	)

## **MOTION TO DISMISS**

Defendant named in Plaintiff's Complaint as "Montgomery City Police Department" respectfully moves this Honorable Court to dismiss with prejudice Plaintiff's claims against it, and assign the following grounds, separately and severally:

- 1. Defendant named "Montgomery City Police Department" is not a legal entity subject to suit of liability under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. See Dean v. Barber, 951 F.2d 1210 1214 (11th Cir. 1992)
- 2. Pursuant to Rule 12 (b) (6) Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff's Complaint fails to state a claim against Montgomery City Police Department for which relief can be granted. Plaintiff's Complaint does not specifically allege any claims against Montgomery City Police Department.
- 3. Plaintiff's claims are barred by the applicable statute of limitations and statute of non-claims establishing limitations and requirements for the presentation

of claims against municipalities as set forth in Ala. Code §§11-47-23 and 11-47-192 (1975).

4. Defendant avers peace officer qualified and/or discretionary function immunity.

Respectfully submitted this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

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